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Purpose. To provide information on Sage, Minnesota's Cancer Screening Program.

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Sage, Minnesota's Cancer Screening Program formerly known as the Minnesota Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (MBCCCCP) is a statewide comprehensive breast and cervical cancer screening program. Their primary goal is to increase the proportion of age appropriate women who are screened for breast and cervical cancer. To achieve their goal the Sage Program is providing the following:

- ❖ Free screening and follow-up services to uninsured women
- ❖ Reaching out to women who may not have regular health care providers
- ❖ Educating the public about the importance of screening
- ❖ Raising awareness among health professionals
- ❖ Developing statewide partnerships to promote screening

The Sage Program is offering services all over the state of Minnesota, but there are requirements you must meet. Women who meet all three criteria are eligible:

- ❖ Age 40 or older (See exceptions on website provided below)
- ❖ Have no insurance or are underinsured
- ❖ Income within Sage guidelines (See guidelines listed on website)

To learn more about Sage, Minnesota's Cancer Screening Program, visit the Sage website at www.health.state.mn.us/divs/hpcd/ccs/mbcccp.htm. The website will provide more information on eligibility and which counties in Minnesota are participating in the Sage Program.

Thanks to Sonia Jacobsen for bringing this information to our attention.

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